HOUSE BILL 2197 By Briley

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 54, relative to noise abatement.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 54, Chapter 4, Part 3, is amended by adding the following language as a new section:

§ 54-4-303. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the department of transportation shall place appropriate sound barriers along all portions of the interstate and national defense highway system where residential homes and schools are located adjacent to such interstate highway in any county having a metropolitan form of government having a population of more than two hundred thousand (200,000) according to the 2000 federal census or any subsequent federal census.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2005, the public welfare requiring it.